

# CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

January 21, 2025  
6:00 P.M.  
MINUTES



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**Location:** The physical location of the Council Meeting was at the Bonney Lake Justice & Municipal Center, 9002 Main Street East, Bonney Lake, Washington. The public was also given the option to call in or attend virtually the Council Meeting

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06:00

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Deputy Mayor Dan Swatman, called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

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**II. ROLL CALL:** City Clerk Sadie Schaneman called the roll. In addition to Deputy Mayor Swatman, elected officials attending were Councilmember Angela Baldwin, Councilmember Aaron Davis, Councilmember Gwendolyn Fullerton, Councilmember Kerri Hubler, Councilmember J. Kelly McClimans and Councilmember Brittany Rock. Mayor Terry Carter was absent.

Staff members in attendance at the physical location were City Administrator John P. Vodopich, Chief Finance Officer Cherie Reiersen, Police Chief Mark Berry, Administrative Services Director Chuck McEwen, Public Services Director Jason Sullivan, City Clerk Sadie Schaneman, Legal Specialist II Carol Paul, Administrative Specialist II Debbie McDonald, and City Attorney Jennifer Robertson.

There were no staff members in virtual attendance.

**III. AGENDA ITEMS:**

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A. **Review Of Council Minutes:** December 03, 2024, City Council Workshop, December 10, 2024, City Council Meeting.

The draft minutes were forwarded to the January 28, 2025, meeting for approval with corrections.

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B. **Council Open Discussion:**

*Councilmember Hubler:*

Police and Fire Pensions: Councilmember Hubler informed Council that the state was planning to combine LEOFF 1 and LEOFF 2 pension plans and moving money from the plans to the State General Fund. She asked if Council would approve sending a letter in opposition to the legislatures.

Councilmembers came to a consensus to send a letter in opposition of merging the two pensions and the removal of money from the pension to the State General Fund.

Proposed State Budget: Councilmember Hubler said she would forward a copy of the State Budget to the rest of the Councilmembers.

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C. **Discussion/Action: AB25-02 – Resolution R25-02 – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County, Washington, Authorizing A Professional Services Agreement With Gunderson Law Office, PLLC For Prosecution (Legal) Services.**

1. Discussion.

Councilmember McClimans asked for clarification that the agenda item was a discussion item with action to follow.

2. Citizen Comments.

No citizen comments were made.

3. Action.

**Councilmember Fullerton moved to approve Resolution R25-02. Councilmember Baldwin seconded the motion.**

**Resolution R25-02 approved 7 - 0.**

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D. **Discussion: AB25-05 – Resolution R25-05 - A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Bonney Lake, Pierce County Washington, Designating Catherine Ford As The Official City Representative To The Pierce County Conservation Futures And Open Space Citizens Advisory Board.**

City Clerk Schaneman explained that Pierce County has asked for Bonney Lake to appoint someone to be the Representative by the end of February 2025 due to Council is behind on deciding who to appoint to fill the vacancy. She explained there has only been one application and the vacancy has been advertised since September 2024.

There was Council consensus to place the item on the next upcoming consent agenda.

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**IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) Deputy Mayor Swatman announced a 15-minute Executive Session to discuss potential litigation with legal counsel and a second 15-minute Executive

Session Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss a separate potential litigation with legal counsel with no action to follow.

Due to no action being taken on the matters, Deputy Mayor Swatman announced the Council Meeting would now be adjourned.

The first Executive Session started at 6:18 p.m. and concluded at 6:33 p.m. No action was taken. The second Executive Session started at 6:33 p.m. and concluded at 6:48 p.m. No action was taken.

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**V. ADJOURNMENT:**

**At 6:17 p.m. the Meeting was adjourned by Deputy Mayor Swatman with the common consent of the City Council.**

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*Sadie A. Schaneman*  
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Sadie A. Schaneman, CMC, City Clerk

Signed by:  
*Dan Swatman*  
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Dan Swatman, Deputy Mayor

Items presented to Council at the January 21, 2025, Workshop: None

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